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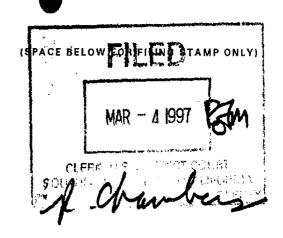
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# UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

# SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

UNITED STATES for the use of EDICK & WATT, INC., a California corporation,

Plaintiff,

vs.

EARTHMOVERS, INC., a Colorado corporation doing business as TERRA-MOVERS, INC.; HUNT BUILDING CORPORATION, a Texas corporation; RELIANCE INSURANCE COMPANY, a Pennsylvania corporation; and DOES 1 - 50, inclusive,

Defendants.

CASE NO. 97 CV0270E (LSP)

FIRST AMENDED COMPLAINT ON MILLER ACT BOND

DEMAND FOR JURY

Use Plaintiff complains and alleges:

1. Use Plaintiff, EDICK & WATT, INC., is now and was at all times mentioned in the Complaint, a California corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of California, and at all times in this Complaint mentioned was, and now is, doing business in the State of California, holding all applicable licenses as required and authorized by the laws of the State of California.

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- 2. Use Plaintiff is informed and believes and thereon alleges that Defendant EARTHMOVERS, INC., a Colorado corporation doing business as TERRA-MOVERS, INC. ("TERRA-MOVERS"), was at all times herein mentioned, and now is a corporation duly organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Colorado, and authorized to transact business in the State of California.
- 3. Use Plaintiff is informed and believes and thereon alleges that Defendant HUNT BUILDING CORPORATION ("HUNT") was at all the times in this Complaint mentioned, and now is, a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Texas, and authorized to transact business in the State of California.
- 4. Use Plaintiff is informed and believes and thereon alleges that Defendant RELIANCE INSURANCE COMPANY ("RELIANCE") was at all times herein mentioned and now is a corporation duly organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Pennsylvania and authorized to transact business as a surety upon bonds or undertakings in the State of California.
- 5. Use Plaintiff is ignorant of the true names and capacities of Defendants sued herein as DOES 1 through 50, inclusive, and therefore sues these Defendants by such fictitious names. Use Plaintiff will amend this Complaint to allege their true names and capacities when ascertained. Use Plaintiff is informed and believes and thereon alleges that each of these fictitiously named Defendants is responsible in some manner for the occurrences herein alleged, and that Use Plaintiff's damages as herein alleged were proximately caused by their conduct.

- 6. This action is brought under the Miller Act for recovery of sums owing for the provision of labor, materials, and services in San Diego County. This Court has jurisdiction and venue pursuant to 40 <u>U.S.C.</u> §270b(b).
- 7. Use Plaintiff is informed and believes and thereon alleges that on April 26, 1994, Defendant HUNT, DOE 1 and DOE 2 were awarded a contract by the United States of America through the United States Navy, more particularly identified and known as Contract No. N68711-93-Z-1369 (the "Contract"), known as Project No. H188/H209/H201, 374 new family housing units, Eucalyptus Hills, Lakeside, California and Santee, California, for that certain work of improvement consisting of the construction of 374 new family units (the "Site").
- 8. Use Plaintiff is informed and believes and thereon alleges that on or about May 1, 1994, Defendant HUNT, DOES 1 and 2, as principal, and Defendant RELIANCE, DOES 3 and 4, as surety, executed and delivered that certain Payment Bond in the penal sum of Two Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$2,500,000) guaranteeing the payment to all person supplying labor and materials in the prosecution of the work provided for in the Contract and any and all duly authorized modifications thereof. Said Bond was executed and delivered as aforesaid in accordance with the provisions of an act of the legislature of the United States of America, dated August 24, 1935, 49 STAT. 793, as amended (40 U.S.C. §§270a-270e), and a true copy of said Bond is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as Exhibit "A."

- 9. Thereafter, and during the performance and prosecution of the work provided for in said Contract, Defendant TERRA-MOVERS, DOES 5 and 6, entered into a certain Sub-Contract with Defendant HUNT, DOE 1 and 2, for the performance and prosecution of a part of the work described in said Contract between HUNT, DOE 1 and 2, and the United States of America.
- 10. During the course of the performance and prosecution of said public work, and under and by virtue of the Contract, and said Sub-Contract between Defendant HUNT, DOE 1, 2 and Defendant TERRA-MOVERS, DOES 5 and 6, Use Plaintiff sold and provided labor, equipment, and materials for drilling and blasting upon the Site to said Sub-Contractor Defendant TERRA-MOVERS at its special instance and request. Said labor, materials and services were furnished to be used in and for the prosecution of the work provided for in said Contract.
- 11. The standard terms and conditions agreed to between Use Plaintiff and TERRA-MOVERS, DOES 5 and 6 pertaining to the above described labor, materials and services furnished by Use Plaintiff provided time of payment was of the essence and that in the event an action was necessary to collect any sums due for the provision of such labor, materials and services that the prevailing party would be entitled to reasonable attorneys fees. Use Plaintiff, in order to prosecute this action, has been required to engage legal counsel, Rudick, Platt, Glatt & Getz, and will incur attorneys fees in amounts not yet ascertained but according to proof at or after trial. Use Plaintiff seeks recovery of the same from Defendants and each of them.

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- Within ninety (90) days from the date on which Use Plaintiff furnished the last of the labor, equipment, and materials for which it's claim hereunder is made, said Plaintiff gave written notice to the General Contractor Defendant HUNT stating with substantial accuracy the amount claimed and the name of the party to whom the materials, labor and services were provided, which said notice was served on Defendant HUNT by registered mail, postage pre-paid, in an envelope addressed to HUNT at its business address.
- Use Plaintiff alleges that after credit for all amounts paid for said labor, materials and services so furnished by Use Plaintiff in the prosecution of work provided for in the Contract, the unpaid amounts are reasonably worth the sum of Eighty-Four Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty-Two Dollars and Thirty-Six Cents (\$84,922.36). Nothing has been paid or credited on said amount and there is now due, owing and unpaid by Defendants and each of them, to Use Plaintiff the sum of Eighty-Four Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty-Two Dollars and Thirty-Six Cents (\$84,922.36).
- Use Plaintiff has not been paid in full for said labor, materials and services furnished in the prosecution of said work, as aforesaid; more than ninety (90) days have elapsed after the date on which such materials, labor and services were furnished and the balance owing to Use Plaintiff by Defendants and each of them at the time of the commencement of this action is \$84,922.36.

WHEREFORE, Use Plaintiff prays judgment against Defendants EARTHMOVERS, INC. dba TERRA-MOVERS, INC., HUNT BUILDING

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CORPORATION,	RELIANCE	INSURANCE	COMPANY,	and	DOES	1	through	6
jointly and s	severally	as follows	<b>3:</b>					

- The sum of \$84,922.36 together with interest thereon at 1. the greater of the legal or contract rate from the date the same became owing until paid;
  - For reasonable attorneys fees; 2.
  - 3. For costs of suit;
- For such other and further relief as the Court may deem just and proper.

Dated: 3/4/97

RUDICK, PLATT, GLATT & GETZ, a Professional corporation

David H. Getz

Attorneys for Plaintiff

## DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL

Use Plaintiff hereby demands a jury trial.

Dated: 31497

RUDICK, PLATT, GLATT & GETZ, a Professional corporation

David H. Getz

Attorneys for Plaintiff

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(Seel) NAME(S) (Typed) CORPORATE SURETY(IES) RELIANCE INSURANCE COMPANY STATE OF INC. LIABILITY LIMIT NAME & ADDRESS 100% PA Center Plaza. Philadelphia, Corporate Signature(si NAME(B) & Seal John R. Stockton Attorney-in-Fact (Typed)

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RELIANCE SURETY COMPANY
RELIANCE INSURANCE COMPANY
UNITED PACIFIC INSURANCE COMPANY
RELIANCE NATIONAL INDEMNITY COMPANY

#### ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE, PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA

### **POWER OF ATTORNEY**

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that RELIANCE SURETY COMPANY is a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Delawars, and that RELIANCE INSURANCE COMPANY and UNITED PACIFIC INSURANCE COMPANY, are corporations duly organized under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and that RELIANCE NATIONAL INDEMNITY COMPANY is a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Wisconsin (herein collectively called "the Companies") and that the Companies by virtue of signature and seels do hereby make, constitute and appoint L. Ray Pitts, Jr., Saverly Hayes, John R. Stockton, Rosemary Weaver., of Dalles, Texas their true and lawful Attorney(s)-in-Fact, to make, axecute, seel and deliver for and on their behalf, and as their act and deed any and all bonds and undertakings of eurotyship and to bind the Companies thereby as fully and to the same extent as if euch bonds and undertakings and other writings obligatory in the nature thereof were signed by an Executive Officer of the Companies and sealed and attested by one other of such officers, and hereby ratifies and confirms all that their said Attorney(s)-in-Fact may do in pursuance hereof.

This Power of Attorney is granted under and by the authority of Article VII of the By-Laws of RELIANCE SURETY COMPANY, RELIANCE INSURANCE COMPANY, UNITED PACIFIC INSURANCE COMPANY, and RELIANCE NATIONAL INDEMNITY COMPANY which provisions are now in full force and affect, reading as follows:

## ARTICLE VII - EXECUTION OF BONDS AND UNDERTAKINGS

- 1. The Board of Directors, the President, the Chaliman of the Board, any Senior Vice President, any Vice President or Assistant Vice President or other officer designated by the Board of Directors shall have power and authority to (a) appoint Attorney(s)-in-Fact and to authorize them to execute on behalf of the Company, bonds and undertakings, recognizances, contracts of indemnity and other writings obligatory in the nature thereof, and (b) to remove any such Attorney(s)-in-Fact at any time and revoke the power and authority given to them.
- 2. Attorney(s)-in-Fect shall have power and authority, subject to the terms and limitations of the Power of Attorney issued to them, to execute deliver on behalf of the Company, bonds and undertakings, recognizances, contracts of indemnity and other writings obligatory in the nature thereof. The corporate seal is not necessary for the validity of any bonds and undertakings, recognizances, contracts of indemnity and other writings obligatory in the nature thereof.
- 3. Attorney(s)-in-fact shall have power and authority to execute affidavits required to be attached to bonds, recognizances, contracts indemnity or other conditional or obligatory undertakings and they shall also have power and authority to certify the financial statement of the company and to copies of the By-Laws of the Company or any article or section thereof.

This Power of Attorney is signed and sealed by feasimile under and by authority of the following resolution adopted by the Executive and Finance Committees of the Boards of Directors of Reliance Insurance Company, United Pacific Insurance Company and Reliance National Indomnity Company by Unanimous Consent dated as of February 25, 1984 and by the Executive and Financial Committee of the Board of Directors of Reliance Surety Company by Unanimous Consent dated as of March 31, 1994.

"Repolved that the signatures of such directors and officers and the seal of the Company may be affixed to any such Power of Attorney or any certificates relating thereto by facelmile, and any such Power of Attorney or certificate bearing such facelmile signatures or facelmile seal shall be valid and binding upon the Company and any such Power so executed and certified by facelmile signatures and facelmile seal shall be valid and binding upon the Company, in the tuture with respect to any bond or undertaking to which it is attached."

IN WITNIESS WHEREOF, the Companies have caused these presents to be signed and their corporate seeks to be hereto affixed, this April 1, 1994.









RELIANCE SURETY COMPANY
RELIANCE INSURANCE COMPANY
UNITED PACIFIC INSURANCE COMPANY
RELIANCE NATIONAL INDEMNITY COMPANY

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STATE OF Pennsylvenia COUNTY OF Philadelphia

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On this, April 1, 1994, before me, Valencia Wortham, personally appeared Charles B. Schmalz, who acknowledged himself to be the Executive for President of the Reliance Surety Company, and the Vice President of Reliance Company, United Pacific Insurance Company, and jance National Indemnity Company and that as such, being authorized to do so, executed the foregoing instrument for the purpose therein intelled by signing the name of the corporation by himself as its duly authorized officer.

is witness whereof, I hereunto set my hand and official seal.

NOTARIAL SEAL
VALENCIA WORTHAM Notery Public
City of Philadelphia, Phila County
My Commission Exoster Nov. 18, 1898



Notery Public in and for the State of Pannsylvania Residing at Philodelphia

# United States District Court

SOUTHERN

DISTRICT OF \_

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UNITED STATES for the use of EDICK & WATT, INC., a California corporation,

FIRST AMENDED

SUMMONS IN A CIVIL ACTION

Plaintiff

CASE NUMBER:

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EARTHMOVERS, INC., a Colorado corporation doing business as TERRA-MOVERS, INC.; HUNT BUILDING CORPROATION, a Texas corporation; RELIANCE INSURANCE COMPANY, a Pennsylvania corporation; and DOES 1 - 50, inclusive IO: Reme and Address of Celendant

Defendants.

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to file with the Clerk of this Court and serve upon

PLAINTIFF'S ATTORNEY (name and address)

David H. Getz Rudick, Platt, Glatt & Getz 600 'B" Street, Suite 1500 San Diego, CA 92101

an answer to the complaint which is herewith served upon you, within 20 days after service of this summons upon you, exclusive of the day of service. If you fail to do so, judgment by default will be taken against you for the relief demanded in the complaint.

ROBERTA WESTDAL

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CLERK

R. F. MESS

Deputy